

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to: MS AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Dated: August 4, 2006

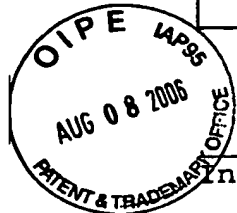
Signature: 

(Daryl K. Neff)

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

Group Art Unit: 2194

Docket No.: SONYJP 3.0-196



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Yoshiyasu Kubota

Application No.: 09/925,234

Filed: August 9, 2001

For: ELECTRONIC DEVICE, APPARATUS
USING THE SAME, AND METHOD OF
READING OUT DATA

:
:
:
:
: Group Art Unit: 2194
:
: Examiner: L. B. Zhen
:
:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

MS AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 2, 2006, finally rejecting claims 10-21, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Do Not
Enter
8/22/06

1/26